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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: THOMAS et al.

Confirmation No.: 8113

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Art Unit: 1634

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Examiner: Goldberg, Jeanine Anne

For: PLASMIDS COMPRISING
NUCLEIC ACIDS FROM THE
HEREDITARY
HEMOCHROMATOSIS GENE

Attorney Docket No: 8907-087-999

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents
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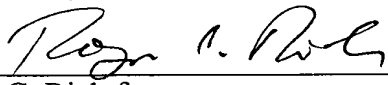
Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated December 10, 2004 be extended for a period of 2 month(s) from March 10, 2005 to and including May 10, 2005.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$ 450.00 . Please charge the required fee to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-3013 (043018-999087). A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: May 4, 2005


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